

## **Derik Shannon Burr**

Director of Business Development

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United States Navy
Retired Decorated Senior Enlisted Combat Veteran

"If you help others achieve their goals, then you cannot help but be successful."

Derik Burr is a master team builder who enjoys watching his subordinates, peers, and seniors achieve their goals in business and life. He is never restricted to being inside the box; instead, Derik finds the best way to win, not necessarily how it has always been done. It was a calm evening at sea onboard the USS South Carolina on the eve of Derik's first promotion to a senior enlisted assignment in the US Navy. A Command Master Chief told him that to be successful, he must first and always help his people succeed. It was as if a light switch was flipped, and Derik has not wavered from that ideal since that evening at sea. It propels him and his people to become highly successful and the best at whatever they set out to do.

Currently serving as the Director of Business Development for VIP Taxi. Derik oversees the operations and business development of VIP Taxi and its affiliates in Arizona. His vision helps his team to extend their thinking and has enabled VIP Taxi to become the best taxi service in Arizona. VIP Taxi is the go-to taxi service for corporate, travel & tourism, and residents all over the Phoenix and Tucson Regions.

Derik founded Blue and Gold Services in 2014. What started as a Notary service has become a full suite of services, including training, coaching, and pastoral care. In 2022, Derik moved Blue And Gold Services to Phoenix, Arizona.

Derik holds a BA from Saint Leo University. Additionally, he has completed a Graduate Certificate in Life Coaching from Grand Canyon University. He was decorated numerous times during his career in the US Navy and proudly wears five Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medals, two National Defense Service Medals, the Global War on Terrorism Medal, and The Kuwait Liberation Medals from both Kuwait and Saudi Arabia. Derik Burr has spent his life serving others and helping them to achieve their goals.